

**Snohomish County Special Needs
Transportation Coalition - SNOTRAC**

**Coordinating Transportation for
Special Needs Individuals**

Stillaguamish Tribe Partners with several
local agencies

For the SKAT Citizens Advisory Committee

Mount Vernon – March 10, 2005

History of ACCT & SNOTRAC

- Agency Council on Coordinated Transportation (ACCT) was created by the Washington State Legislature in 1998
- Snohomish County Public Works applied for funding but their Human Services Dept. received it
- Three annual \$10,000-\$15,000 pots of money went to Human Services but it wasn't spent in 2 ½ years. Loose meetings did take place
- **2002 - FLT Consulting** got the county on track- Faith Trimble

The Snohomish County Special
Needs Transportation Coalition
began to use “SNOTRAC”
in 2002

snotrac.org

SNOTRAC Steering Committee

- **Sno. County Human Services** – Lead agency overall. Meeting space, staff and financial support
- **Community Transit** – Streamlined eligibility and common intake form, Van Go program
- **Senior Services of Snohomish County** - Streamlined eligibility and common intake form. Administer and operate the DART and TAP in the county
- **Volunteers of America** – Began and continue to operate the Special Needs Information and Referral phone line. **(425) 258-4227**
TOLL FREE: (800) 223-8145
- **Stillaguamish Tribe** – Current fiscal agent, funding advocate
- **Sound Transit** – Regional Coordination

SNOTRAC Projects

- **Inventory** – Done by Human Services, FLT and Steering Committee - 2002
- **Strategic Plan** – Steering Committee, approved by Executive Committee - 2003
- **Implementation Plan** - Steering Committee, approved by Executive Committee - 2003

- **Statement of Executive Sponsorship**

- Snohomish County
- Special Needs Transportation Coalition Signatories
- The following people signed the Statement of Executive Sponsorship Snohomish County Special Needs Transportation Coalition on the 17th Day of December 2002 and soon thereafter:
- *Snohomish County and Cities*
- Frank Anderson, Mayor, City of Everett
- Randy Burge, DDD Director, DSHS
- Rin Causey, President, Workforce Development Council
- Robert Drewel, County Executive, Snohomish County
- Kathe Knieriem, Office Supervisor, Snohomish Health District
- Robert Kraski, Mayor, City of Arlington
- Gary Nelson, County Council Member, Snohomish County
- Janelle Sgrignoli, Director, Snohomish County Human Services Department
- Daniel Peyton, CSD Region 3 Administrator, DSHS
- Donnetta Walser, Mayor, City of Monroe
- **Transit Agencies**
- Joni Earl, Executive Director, Sound Transit
- Kenneth Housden, Director of Transportation, Everett Transit
- Richard F. Krochalis, Federal Transit Administration
- Joyce Olson, Executive Director, Community Transit

•**Snohomish School Districts**

Gary Platt, Executive Director Business & Finance, Stanwood-Camano Island School District

Wayne Robertson, Superintendent, Edmonds School District

H. Jake Walker, Executive Director of Business & Operations, Lake Stevens School District

Carol Whitehead, Superintendent, Everett School District

Linda Byrnes, Superintendent, Arlington School District (*expressed interest to sign*)

Bill Prenevost, Superintendent, Monroe School District

Karen Forys, Superintendent, Northshore School District

Michael Murphy, Executive Director Educational Programs, Monroe School District

Randy Wolf, Director of Transportation, Northshore School District

Linda Whitehead, Superintendent, Marysville School District

Community Organizations

Van Dinh-Kuno, Executive Director, Refugee & Immigrant Forum of Snohomish County

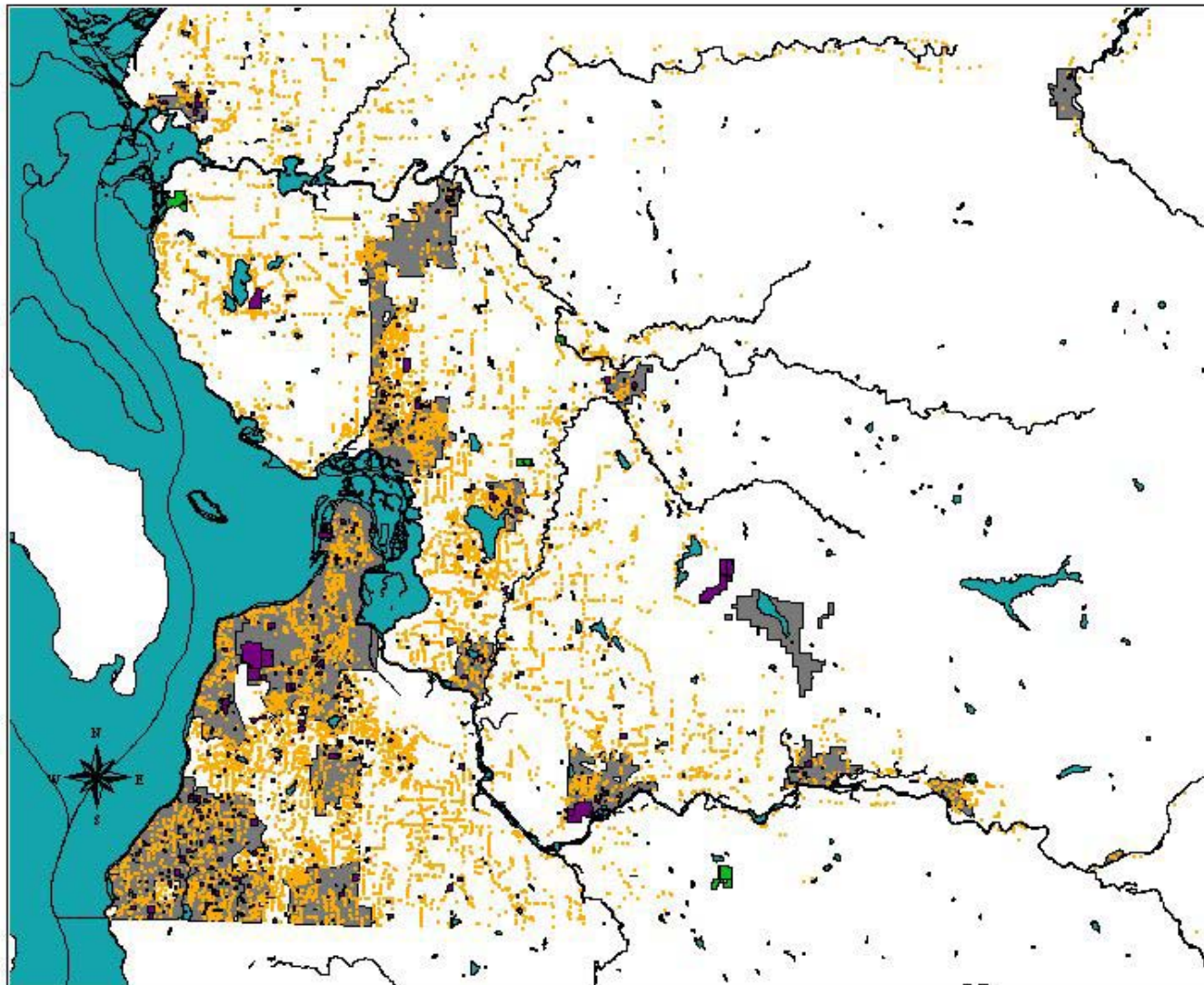
Rita Meehan, Assistant Director, Refugee & Immigrant Forum of Snohomish County

Christopher Wolfe, Executive Director, Senior Services of Snohomish

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- Libraries.shp
- Schools.shp
- College.shp
- Community centers.shp
- Daycare.shp
- Majorwtrbdy.shp
- School Bus Stops
- Cities.shp

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Demographics - 2001

| | Number of People | % of Total Population |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total Snohomish County Population (Stillaguamish Tribe) | 628,000 (182 enrolled) | 100% |
| Seniors (65+) | 56,437 | 9% |
| Children (0-17) | 168,151 | 27% |
| People with a Physical Disability | 40,157 | 6% |
| People with incomes below poverty level | 41,024 | 7% |

Major Snohomish County Transit Providers - 2002

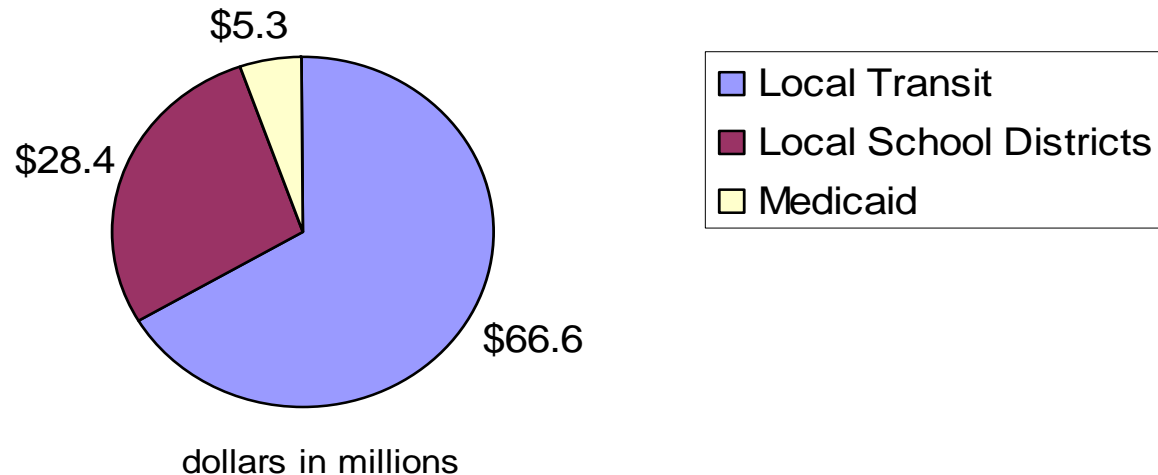
| | # vehicles | # boardings per year | average cost per trip/total cost |
|--|------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Fixed Route/Bus (Comm. Transit & Everett Transit) | 317 | 8.9 million | \$4.89/ \$43.5 million |
| Demand Response/ Paratransit | 65 | 223,406 | \$27.01/ \$6 million |
| Schools | 836 | 10 million | \$3.20*/ \$32 million |
| Medicaid | 108 | 180,000 | \$22.63/ \$4 million |

* Does not include depreciation/replacement cost of vehicles

Total Transit Costs- Snohomish County

Annual Operating Expenses for Major Transportation Providers in Snohomish County

Total = \$100.3 million



Transportation Gaps & Needs

- Coordination
- Crossing Borders
- Eligibility
- Confusing Process for Clients
- Trip Delay
- Disparity in Costs – fixed route vs demand response

Schedule

2003-04

Ambassador Program and Information & Referral System operational

Enhanced Van Program and Streamlined Eligibility Process Recommendations

2005-06

Community Mobilization Projects Operational

Volunteer Driver Program Expanded

Coordinated Express Recommendations

2007- 08

Rural Broker Services Operational

Note: Regional Resource Guide updated annually by Sound Transit

Cost

Total Estimated Cost – 5 years

\$961,000

Potential Sources of funds

Federal – 20%

State – 50%

County, Cities, Transit, Tribes - 20%

Private – 10%

Challenges for SNOTRAC

- **Who will be the lead agency/fiscal agent for each grant?**
- **Where are the matching dollars coming from?**
- **National Economy**
- **Boeing Layoffs**
- **Tim Eyman/Initiative Movement**

Benefits to the Stillaguamish Tribe

- Local Transportation Agencies Now Working Better with Tribal Social Services

Example: Improved access to Tribal Methadone Clinic

- Specific Transportation Problems of Tribal Members and Employees Resolved More Quickly

- Example: Improved access for Tribal Plant Nursery Employees